

# HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE U.S. EMBASSY DHAKA

### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER - 16 - 002

**OPEN TO:** All Interested Candidates/All Sources

POSITION: Economic/Commercial Specialist, FSN-10

(Salary approx. Tk. 1,53,000 per month)

**OPENING DATE:** January 11, 2016

**CLOSING DATE: January 25, 2016** (before 4:30 p.m.)

**WORK HOURS:** Full-time; 40 Hours/5 days per week

SALARY: Ordinarily Resident (OR): FSN-10

Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR): FP-5\*

\*Final grade/step for NORs will be determined by

Washington.

NOTE: ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (See Appendix A for definition) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

U.S. Embassy Dhaka is seeking eligible and qualified applicants for the position of **Economic/Commercial Specialist.** 

**BASIC FUNCTION:** The incumbent works under the direction of the Deputy Chief of the Economic/Commercial Section to help prioritize the work assigned to the Trade Center staff, and monitors progress toward meeting goals and deadlines. Gathers information on key economic sectors, drafts messages, arranges calls on officials, screens requests for meetings and organizes special events.

#### **MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

## A. Commercial Services

- ➤ Frequently visits local business and government offices to gather data for economic and commercial reporting, briefs U.S. businesspeople and agents of U.S. firms on economic and commercial trends recommending ways to promote their business interests, advises contacts of commercial services available from the Embassy and assists in their provision, ensures that the Trade Center is well-managed/helps U.S. firms resolve trade and investment disputes and advises on the promotion of products and services in consultation with the Senior Economic/Commercial Officer.
- > Provides additional commercial services as needed.

## **B.** Data Analysis and Economic Reporting

- Analyzes trade, investment and other macroeconomic data from various sources.
- ➤ Drafts timely sector reports, market insights, and other trade, labor, and investment reports.
- ➤ Contributes to weekly Economic/Commercial digest for U.S. government audience.

# C. Trade Promotion and Advocacy

- ➤ Responsible for working with Bangladesh government officials and local representatives to help U.S. firms bid on tenders and market their products and services in-country.
- ➤ Organizes in-house business meetings, receptions and roundtables and assists with the Embassy's participation in the annual U.S. Trade Show and in catalog shows.
- > Organizes delegations of Bangladeshi businesspeople to U.S. trade shows as needed.

# D. Visitor Schedules and Meeting Assistance

Arranges meetings for USG officers and visitors, and prepares schedules for official U.S. trade and labor missions visiting Bangladesh, joining meetings as appropriate to follow-up on issues and contribute to Section goals.

# **QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:**

- **1. Education:** Bachelor's degree in Commerce, Trade, Economics, Business Administration or Finance is required. (You must attach a copy of your Bachelor's degree certificate along with your application form.)
- **2. Prior Work Experience:** At least five years' experience in increasingly responsible positions involving Management and Economic or Commercial-analysis is required.
- **3. Language Proficiency:** Level III (Good Working Knowledge) English & Level IV (Fluent) Bangla is required. English language proficiency will be tested.

**SELECTION PROCESS:** When qualified, applicants who are U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and/or preference-eligible U.S. Veterans are given a preference in hiring. Therefore, it is essential that these applicants make themselves known as having a hiring preference and specifically address the required qualifications above in their application.

### HIRING PREFERENCE ORDER:

- (1) USEFM who is ALSO a preference-eligible U.S. Veteran
- (2) USEFM OR a preference-eligible U.S. Veteran
- (3) FS on Leave With Out Pay (LWOP)

## ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1. Management may consider the following when determining successful candidacy: nepotism, conflicts of interest, budget, and residency status.
- 2. Current OR employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply. Current OR employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report (EPR) are not eligible to apply.
- 3. Current NOR employees hired on a Family Member Appointment (FMA) or a Personal Service Agreement (PSA) are not eligible to apply within the first 90 calendar days of their employment, unless they have a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.
- 4. The candidate must be able to obtain and hold a local security certification.

## **HOW TO APPLY:**

Applicants must submit the following documents either by regular mail (postal service) <u>or</u> deliver by hand to the South barrier of the U.S. Embassy to be considered:

1. Universal Application for Employment (UAE) (Form DS-174), available on our website at <a href="http://dhaka.usembassy.gov/">http://dhaka.usembassy.gov/</a> (go to "About Us" and click on "Job Opportunities"); blank application forms are also available at the South barrier of the U.S. Embassy (near the Nepalese & Vatican Embassies); and

## **Application Form**

2. Any additional documentation that supports or addresses the requirements listed above (e.g. transcripts, degrees, etc.)

All Bangladeshi applicants must complete the application form and must attach the following documents; if you do not attach the below mentioned documents, your application will be considered incomplete and will not be processed further:

- I) A passport size photograph (taken within six months), and;
- II) A copy of Passport or Voter ID or Driver's License, and;
- III) A copy of educational or trade school certificate as required.

<u>Inaccuracies</u>, omissions or false statements may be cause for <u>disqualification or termination of employment</u>. <u>Information given on the application may be verified at any time</u>.

**IMPORTANT:** Applicants claiming a U.S. Veteran's preference must submit written documentation confirming eligibility (e.g., Member Copy 4 of Form DD-214, Letter from the Veteran's Administration, or certification documenting eligibility under the VOW Act with an expected discharge no later than 120 days after the certification is submitted) by the closing date of the vacancy announcement. If the written documentation confirming eligibility is not received in the HR office by the closing date of the vacancy announcement, the U.S. Veteran's preference will not be considered in the application process. Specific criteria for receiving a U.S. Veteran's preference may be found in HR/OE's Family Member Employment Policy (FMEP).

### WHERE TO APPLY:

Human Resources Office

Attention: HRO

Address: Embassy of the United States of America

Madani Avenue, Baridhara

Dhaka - 1212

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Human Resources Assistant Telephone #88 02 5566 2000 (between 10am to 11am Sunday through Thursday)

**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** The U.S. Mission in Dhaka provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs. The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

# **Appendix A - DEFINITIONS**

**Eligible Family Member (EFM):** An EFM for employment purposes is defined an individual who meets **all** of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen or not a U.S. Citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>); or
- Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term "child" shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchild, adopted child, and a child under legal guardianship of employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner when such child is expected to be under legal guardianship until 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian; or
- Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support; **or**
- Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support; **and**
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; **and**
- Is under chief of mission authority.

**U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):** A USEFM is an individual who meets **all** of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) of the sponsoring employee; **or**
- Child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; **and**
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and resides at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad, or as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and is under chief of mission authority; **or**

- resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2; **or**
- Currently receives a U.S. Government retirement annuity or pension from a career in the U.S. Foreign Service or Civil Service.

**Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):** An AEFM is an individual who meets **all** of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) of the sponsoring employee; **or**
- Child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; **and**
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT); **and**
- Is under chief of mission authority; and
- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; **and**
- Does NOT currently receive a U.S. Government retirement annuity or pension from a career in the U.S. Foreign Service or Civil Service.

**Member of Household (MOH):** A MOH is an individual who meets **all** of the following criteria.

- A MOH is someone who accompanies or joins a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and
- A MOH must be officially declared to the COM by the sponsoring employee as part of his/her household; and
- A MOH is under COM authority;
- A MOH may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative, or adult child;
- A MOH may or may not be a U.S. Citizen;
- A MOH is **not** an EFM;
- A MOH is **not** listed on the travel orders or approved Form F-126 of a sponsoring employee.

# **Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** – An individual who meets the following criteria:

- An EFM, USEFM or AEFM of a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed abroad, or as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
- Has diplomatic privileges and immunities; and
- Is eligible for compensation under the FS or GS salary schedule; and
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN); and
- Is not a citizen of the host country; and
- Does not ordinarily reside in the host country; and
- Is <u>not</u> subject to host country employment and tax laws.

# **Ordinarily Resident (OR)** – An individual who meets the following criteria:

- A citizen of the host country; or
- A non-citizen of the host country (including a U.S. citizen or a third-country national) who is locally resident and has legal and/or permanent resident status within the host country and/or who is a holder of a non-diplomatic visa/work and/or residency permit; and/or
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

Cleared by:

HRO: x

POL/ECON: x

FMO: x